

**Amendments to the Claims:**

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the present application:

**Listing of Claims:**

Claims 1-5 (cancelled)

Claim 6 (original) Apparatus for folding sheets of printing media, comprising:

- a) a V-shaped fold roller;
- b) an elongate fold blade;
- c) means for positioning the sheets, sheet-by-sheet, on the fold blade and connected thereto;
- and
- d) means for translating the fold roller with respect to the fold blade, thereby folding the sheets, sheet-by-sheet.

Claim 7 (original) The apparatus of claim 6 further including an elongate flap connected to the fold roller that initiates the fold in each sheet, sheet-by-sheet.

Claim 8 (original) The apparatus of claim 7 further including a second elongate flap connected to the fold roller, said flaps initiate the fold in each sheet, sheet-by-sheet, and said flaps are outward opening away from the fold blade.

Claim 9 (original) The apparatus of claim 8 further including a hinge for movably mounting said flaps and for accommodating sheets of differing thicknesses.

Claim 10 (original) The apparatus of claim 6 further including a pinch roller that captures the sheets on the fold blade, sheet-by-sheet, prior to folding.

Claim 11 (original) The apparatus of claim 6 wherein the fold roller has a cylindrical outer wall and the cylindrical wall has a V- shaped opening therein that accepts both the sheet and the fold blade during folding.

Claim 12 (original) The apparatus of claim 6 wherein the fold roller has two complementary disks spring loaded together on a common axle and each disk has a tapered, inward facing peripheral edge, thereby accommodating sheets of various thicknesses.

Claim 13 (original) The apparatus of claim 6 further including means, connected to the fold blade, for unloading the sheets, sheet-by-sheet, from the apparatus after folding.

Claims 14-41 (cancelled)

Claim 42 (original) A method for folding sheets of printing media, comprising the steps of:

- a) positioning the sheets, sheet-by-sheet, in a media folder;
- b) folding the sheets, sheet-by-sheet, in the media folder; and
- c) unloading the folded sheets, sheet-by-sheet, from the folder.

Claim 43 (original) The method of claim 42 further including the step of folding the sheets more than once so that each sheet has a plurality of folds.

Claim 44 (original) The method of claim 42 further including the step of capturing the sheets, sheet-by-sheet, prior to the step of folding.

Claim 45 (cancelled)

Claim 46 (original) The method of claim 42 further including the step of alternately folding the sheets, sheet-by-sheet, so that each sheet has a Z-shape after being folded.

Claim 47 (original) The method of claim 42 further including the step of multiply folding the sheets, sheet-by-sheet, so that selected sheets have a U-shape after being folded.

Claim 48 (original) The method of claim 42 further including the step of putting a slack loop in each sheet in the media folder prior to the step of folding.

Claim 49 (original) The method of claim 42 wherein the step of folding includes the step of translating a fold roller back and forth across a fold blade over which each sheet is positioned.

Claims 50-62 (cancelled)